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1. FOLLOWING IS PRESS GUIDANCE PREPARED IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION RE IMPLICATIONS OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION RAISED REFTEL.

2. QUOTE: THE PRINCIPAL SECTION OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT DEALING WITH NARCOTICS IS SECTION 481, AS AMENDED, WHICH STATES IN APPLICABLE PART: "THE PRESIDENT SHALL SUSPEND ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE FURNISHED UNDER THIS OR ANY OTHER ACT, AND SHALL SUSPEND SALES UNDER THE FOREIGN MILITARY SALES ACT AND UNDER TITLE I OF THE AGRICULTURE TRADE DEVELOPMENT AND ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1954, WITH RESPECT TO ANY COUNTRY WHEN THE PRESIDENT DETERMINES THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF SUCH COUNTRY HAS FAILED TO TAKE ADEQUATE STEPS TO PREVENT NARCOTIC DRUGS AND OTHER
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CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (AS DEFINED BY THE COMPREHENSIVE DRUG

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ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONTROL ACT OF 1970) PRODUCED OR PROCESSED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, IN SUCH COUNTRY, OR TRANSPORTED THROUGH SUCH COUNTRY, FROM BEING SOLD ILLEGALLY WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF SUCH COUNTRY TO UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL OR THEIR DEPENDENTS, OR FROM ENTERING

THE UNITED STATES UNLAWFULLY. SUCH SUSPENSION SHALL CONTINUE UNTIL THE PRESIDENT DETERMINES THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF SUCH COUNTRY HAS TAKEN ADEQUATE STEPS TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS CHAPTER."

THE DECISION OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO RESUME POPPY PRODUCTION ON GOVERNMENT OWNED PLOTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEED PRODUCTION WOULD NOT IN AND OF ITSELF REQUIRE SUSPENSION OF ASSISTANCE UNDER THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961. SECTION 481 OF THE ACT DOES NOT REQUIRE THAT A COUNTRY REFRAIN FROM PRODUCING NARCOTIC DRUGS BUT THAT ASSISTANCE BE SUSPENDED WHEN THE PRESIDENT DETERMINES THAT SUCH COUNTRY HAS FAILED TO TAKE ADEQUATE STEPS TO PREVENT THE ILLEGAL TRAFFICKING OF NARCOTIC DRUGS. COORDINATED PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT FOR REVIEW OF NATIONS' PERFORMANCES WITH RESPECT TO THE PREVENTION OF ILLEGAL SALE AND ENTRY OF NARCOTICS DRUGS AND OTHER CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, AND THERE HAS BEEN NO DETERMINATION THAT TURKEY HAS FAILED TO TAKE ADEQUATE STEPS TO EITHER PREVENT THE ILLEGAL SALE OF NARCOTICS WITHIN TURKEY TO UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL OR THEIR DEPENDENTS NOR TO PREVENT SUCH NARCOTICS FROM ENTERING THE UNITED STATES UNLAWFULLY. END QUOTE. RUSH

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